IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

BERNARD SCOTT : CIVIL ACTION

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V.

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CITY OF PHILADELPHIA,

PHILADELPHIA POLICE DEPARTMENT, :

POLICE OFFICER, ROBERT HEENEY,

POLICE OFFICER, MS KATIE LANKFORD: NO. 19-2871

<u>ORDER</u>

NOW, this 1st day of August, 2019, upon consideration of plaintiff's Application for Prisoners to Proceed in District Court Without Prepaying Fees or Costs (Document No. 1), his Prisoner Trust Fund Account Statement, and his Complaint, it is **ORDERED** that:

- 1. Plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is **GRANTED**;
- 2. The complaint is deemed filed.
- 3. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b), plaintiff, **Bernard Scott, # 799597**, shall pay the full filing fee of \$350 in installments.¹
- 4. The Warden or other appropriate official at the Philadelphia Detention Center is directed to assess an initial filing fee of 20% of the greater of (a) the average monthly deposits to Bernard Scott's inmate account; or (b) the average monthly balance in Bernard Scott's inmate account for the six-month period immediately preceding the filing of this case and forward the initial payment assessed, with a reference to **Civil Action No. 19-2871**, to the Clerk of Court at the following address:

¹ Plaintiff is advised that he will be obligated to pay the filing fee even if his case is dismissed. In other words, if his case is dismissed, payment of the fee will continue to be deducted from his inmate account statement.

Clerk of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania Room 2609 601 Market Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106.

- 5. In each succeeding month when the amount in Bernard Scott's inmate account exceeds \$10.00, the Warden or other appropriate official shall calculate, collect, and forward a payment equaling twenty percent (20%) of the preceding month's income credited to Bernard Scott's inmate account and forward that amount, to be credited to Civil Action No. 19-2841, to the Clerk of Court at the above address until the fees are paid in full.
- 6. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B)(ii), the Complaint is **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** for failure to state a claim.
- 7. The plaintiff is **GRANTED LEAVE** to file an amended complaint within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order;
- 8. The Clerk of Court shall furnish plaintiff with a copy of the Court's current standard form to be used by a *pro se* prisoner filing a civil action, bearing the above-captioned Civil Action Number;
 - 9. Plaintiff shall use the standard form to file his amended complaint;
- 10. Any amended complaint shall: (a) identify all defendants in the caption of the amended complaint in addition to identifying them in the body of the amended complaint; (b) state the basis for plaintiff's claims against each defendant.
- 11. If the plaintiff files an amended complaint, the Clerk shall not make service unless ordered to do so by the Court; and,

- 12. The Clerk of Court is directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Warden or other appropriate official at the Philadelphia Detention Center.
 - 13. If plaintiff fails to comply with this Order, the case will be dismissed.

/s/ TIMOTHY J. SAVAGE J.